

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted Herewith is a combined Amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>April 21, 2003</u> in the above-identified application.

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time of three months from: July 21, 2003 until: October 21, 2003.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

Fee for Amendment:

\$0

Fee for Extension of Time:

\$950

TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME:

\$950

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- The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for the amendment and extension of time in the amount of \$950 to our Deposit Account No. 14-1131.
- The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 14-1131.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 14-1131. (A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.)

This combined Transmittal of amendment and petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is respectfully submitted by the undersigned:

I certify that his document and enclosed fee is being deposited on October 10, 2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Paterts Washington DC 20231

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

Hannah Martin

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Dated:

October 10, 2003

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